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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1 - 25 (Canceled).

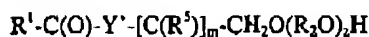
Claims 26 - 33 (Canceled).

34. (Previously Presented) A clear or translucent liquid fabric softener composition comprising:

A. from about 1% to about 80% by weight of the composition, of polyquaternary ammonium fabric softener active which either has a phase transition temperature in the presence of less than about 5% organic solvent or water of less than about 50°C or which has no significant endothermic phase transition in the region -50°C to 100°C, said active being in a bilayer; and

B. an effective amount of stabilizer for maintaining said composition clear or translucent comprising an effective amount of bilayer modifier, wherein said bilayer modifier comprises a nonionic surfactant with a bulky head group selected from:

1. a surfactant having the formula



wherein R^1 is selected from the group consisting of saturated or unsaturated, primary, secondary or branched chain alkyl or alkyl-aryl hydrocarbons; said hydrocarbon chain containing from about 6 to about 22 carbon atoms; Y' is selected from the following groups: -O-; -N(A)-; and/or mixtures thereof; A is selected from the following groups: H; R^1 ; $-(R^2O)_x-H$; $-(CH_2)_xCH_3$; phenyl, or substituted aryl, wherein $0 \leq x \leq$ about 3 and z is from about 5 to about 30; each R^2 is selected from the following groups or combinations of the following groups: $-(CH_2)_n-$ wherein n is from about 1 to about 4 and/or $-[CH(CH_3)CH_2]-$; and each R^3 is selected from the following groups: -OH; and $-O(R^2O)_z-H$; and m is from about 2 to about 4;

2. a surfactant having at least one of the following formulas: